

23 January 1958

INTER OFFICE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Minutes of the 42nd meeting, held on 8 January 1958, at 1000 hours, in room 2701, Barton Hall.

Present:

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[REDACTED] OSI - Chairman

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[REDACTED] RSB/SR
[REDACTED] O/C

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[REDACTED] ORR

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[REDACTED] OCI

[REDACTED], OSI
[REDACTED] OSI - Secretary
[REDACTED] OSI - Alternate Secretary

1. Minutes of the 41st meeting (4 December 1957) were approved with one change as follows: paragraph 2, line 13, replace the phrase "could be used" with the phrase "should be given consideration."

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2. [REDACTED] reported no change or response, informal or formal, from ODM regarding the suggestion of use of [REDACTED] facilities with appropriate support for "increased monitoring of foreign radio spectrum usage." A coordinated paper on CIA position with respect to the proposed NSC-169 revision is being sent to [REDACTED] for use when the matter comes before the NSC Planning Board Assistants.

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3. [REDACTED] read the recommendations of the DCI memo to DIRNSA, dated 23 December 1957, based on [REDACTED] reports concerning relocation of RSB/SR to Fort Meade. The recommendations were against relocation and for improved liaison between RSB and NSA.

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4. [REDACTED] reported that an OSI staff study for broadcast monitoring equipment support at U.S. Iron Curtain missions is being prepared for the consideration of the AD/SI. Budget support of [REDACTED] will be needed. [REDACTED] reported that data from internal monitoring program was increasing each month since it began in

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August. [REDACTED] suggested a memo to State commending their cooperation. [REDACTED] reported a conversation with Bob Packard from State concerning technicians at U.S. missions. The outlook for establishing these is poor. He further stated that the use of non-technical types currently used may be the final as well as interim answer for broadcast monitoring behind the Iron Curtain.

5. [REDACTED] reported that a contract operation with [REDACTED] is being used to produce the monthly report in lieu of personnel lost by the EMW Branch/OSI. A slippage of three weeks on the monthly report is anticipated.

6. [REDACTED] read the conclusions of a report by IOTAC--subcommittee on Project [REDACTED]. No conflict in policy or jurisdiction was anticipated by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] discussed budget considerations for RSB/SR participation with [REDACTED] OCR, as four additional slots would be required. Mr. Stetson said Commo was interested but budget was not considered at this time. [REDACTED] is against their participation in the project for reasons of security, and other operational problems. [REDACTED] submitted the estimated budget figures to amounts to [REDACTED] the first year, and [REDACTED] on a continuing basis. A discussion ensued. [REDACTED] felt the project fell more naturally in Commo, and processing of information could better be handled by [REDACTED]. He will undertake to obtain [REDACTED] views. Recommendations were then read by [REDACTED] concerning an assignment of responsibilities for the operations. Reconsideration of recommendations was requested by the chairman in view of [REDACTED] rejection of the project, and possible acceptance in part by Commo. The draft report was remanded to the working group.

7. Under old business, [REDACTED] reported that ORR had written a commendation to DIRNSA on the usefulness of NSC-TSL series of reports, and hoped more would be forthcoming.


8. Under new business, [REDACTED] reported that he is being assigned to [REDACTED] and will be stationed [REDACTED] for liaison purposes on SI interests. The Chairman expressed his appreciation for the faithful and devoted interest [REDACTED] has shown in four years as Secretary of IOTAC.

9. The Chairman discussed the role of IOTAC since its inception four years ago, pointing out that it had undertaken a number of matters not specifically related to NSC-169. He suggested the Committee reconsider the current role of IOTAC.

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 expressed their opinion that the Committee has been serving a useful function and should be continued.

10. The meeting closed at 1215 hours. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 5 February 1958.

Respectfully submitted,
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Alternate Secretary

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